

Memorandum

To: Melissa Jones, Executive Director

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From : **California Energy Commission**
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Pat Perez, Deputy Director
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Subject: REQUEST FOR \$21,224.00 FOR PURCHASE OF THE PORT IMPORT EXPORT REPORTING SERVICE (PIERS) SUBSCRIPTION SERVICE FOR FUEL PRODUCT MOVEMENT TRACKING.

Fuels and Transportation Division staff is requesting the renewal of the annual PIERS subscription for \$21,224.00. PIERS, a global import and export information service, provides detailed reporting of shipments of fuel products, by marine vessel, at all California Ports.

The primary use of this service is to track the movements of petroleum products, alternative fuels, and feedstocks for to all fuel types. The information is analyzed and integrated into the Annual Transportation Fuels Forecast, Integrated Energy Policy Report and is essential to the Energy Commission's participation in the Low Carbon Fuel Standard – Crude Oil Screening Group. This monthly data also enables staff to recognize new entities required to report under the Petroleum Industry Information Reporting Act.

The attached agreement is for a one year term and will be paid from the 2010/2011 budget. The renewal of the PIERS subscription is included in the Fuels and Transportation division's 2010/2011 work plans.

The item will be presented to the full Commission on June 15, 2011 for approval. The PIERS subscription agreement requires approval and signature of the Executive Director, Melissa Jones, on behalf of the Energy Commission.